Bis K Widow California's Only Poisonous Spider, Official Says

By K. H. SUTHERLAND, M.D. Ures that practically nobody County Health Officer Pro Tem The black widow spider Latrodectus mactans) is the only poisonous spider that inhabits this part of the United States, although in the Middle Mess at about as lethal as the brown spider (Loxosceles reclusa) is also found. We st and in the southern states the brown spider (Loxosceles reclusa) is also found. The brown spider has a bite widow's, but, thus far, it has not spread to California. Still, whether brown or black, poisonous spiders are little creat—when they do.

Bites of the black widow need the bite may indeed be serious. The widow likes solitude and shows a preference for sectluded places such as a garget or outbuilding, a clothes closet, or under a house. She has been of the bite, however, is the off the bite, however, is the form the bite of the bite, however, is the only poisonous spider that in thorities, so there is no record of how many such bites occur bate only poisonous of the victim warm and the application of the places and wondy like solitude and shows a preference for sectuated the deplaces such as a garget or outbuilding, a clothes closet, or under a house. She has been of the bite may indeed be serious. The widow is bite of the bite may indeed be serious. The sudous is a good anticeptic to the intention and any mumber of the bite widow's bite of the bite, however, is the only peles County.

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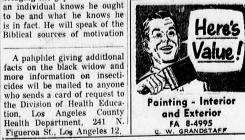
cine was developed (a horse serum product) which is a spe-cific treatment for black widow poisoning. However, some people cannot tolerate horse serum products and in such cases the cure may be such cases the cure may be much worse than the effects of

Eradication of black widows Eradication of black widows is recommended whenever they are found around the premises. A clean-up of the clutter often found in the yard or within buildings will help to rid are area of likely black widow homesites. Furthermore, there are many excellent insecticides on the market that are effective in controlling these dangerous pests, and dithese dangerous pests, and dithese dangerous pests, and directions for use are always given on the container.

PREVENTION of the widow's bite is obviously preferable to treatment. But should a person be bitten, it is always advisable to obtain medical at tention as quickly as possible.

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preach at all services of the knows he ought to be. Calvary Baptist Church, 2818 At the 7 p.m. Vesper Service Manhattan Beach Blyd., next Sunday. At the 8:30 and 11 a.m. duplicate serevices, the sermon will be on "Seven Steps to a Life of Power." In the message, the pastor will deal with the problem of bridging the gap between what an individual knows he ought to be and what he knows he is in fact. He will speak of the Biblical sources of motivation



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